

# DUPONT'S WEEKLY BITS & BYTES

Friday, June 30, 2023

# **REMINDER: City Hall is closed Tuesday, July 4th!**







# **PARKS AND RECREATION - Independence Day Celebration!**

We are excited to welcome everyone to our 2023 Independence Day celebration on July 4<sup>th</sup>. We are forever grateful to Northwest Landing for their financial contribution to help make this a safe and successful event. Residents are invited to enjoy Pancakes in the Park hosted by the Historical Society starting at 8 a.m. The parade kicks off at 10 a.m. followed by a celebration in the park from 11-2. Enjoy the country music of Nick Cain, a legendary performer from the pacific northwest. Stroll the park for fabulous arts & crafts, spin art, Ribeye Cheesesteaks, Cucumber Mint Lemonade, deep fried corn, stilt walkers, bouncy houses, Red/White & Blue Alley, and much, much more!

Special thanks to the DuPont Lions for hosting our traditional Red, White & Blue Alley. This year's walk through the alley will include strawberry shortcake, a candy buffet, cupcake bar, patriotic gear for the kids, snow cones, cotton candy, and a little something for everyone!





# Do you love our City? Well, we do too!

For a limited time, this summer, signs celebrating your favorite City will be available at the Farmers Market and during our 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration for just \$20.00 plus tax. These signs go quickly and will be available under the yellow Parks & Recreation tent. All proceeds support City of DuPont Parks & Recreation. Thank you for your support!



### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Come to the Farmers Market!

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The next Farmers Market will be July 13th at Clocktower Park. Residents and visitors are invited to enjoy fresh fruits & vegetables, flowers, cheese, local artists, and much more. Can't wait to see you!

> Thursday's 3-7 PM June 1 - August 17, 2023 **Clocktower Park**

> > July 13, 20, 27 August 3, 10, 17



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## Reptile Lady:

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Experience reptiles up close! A wild and educational experience from snakes to lizards, to alligators and more! July 13th at 5 pm during the Farmers Market. This is a free event and pre-registration is not required. Big thanks to Amazon for sponsoring this extra special evening with our best reptile friends! https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/

Pierce County Trails Day - DuPont, WA



#### **NOON Saturday to NOON Sunday**

Take the SequaliShoot Photo Challenge and give it your best shot!

Shoot any trail in DuPont in 24 hours from noon July 29 until noon July 30.

Enter your 3 best images in the SequaliShoot Challenge

All ages and abilities 1st and 2nd Place and People's Choice Awards

Sign up at www.DuPontWAPhoto.com



#### Sequalishoot ~

#### "Nature never goes out of style!"

The SequaliShoot Photo Challenge asks photographers to take their best shot of any of DuPont's trails - in 24 hours. Participants are asked to submit up to three images for judging. There are two categories of judging and awards - one for youth up to age 17 and the other for adults 18 and older. July 29 & 30, 2023. https://dupontwaphoto.com/

#### PARKS AND RECREATION continued....

#### Teen Night Out - Trash Can Nachos!

Grab some friends and join us at Eagles Pride on July 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. for an overload of fixins' on this colossal snack! Build your own trash can nachos! After enjoying your mile-high nachos, partake in raffles and simulator games at Eagles Pride. The \$10 registration fee includes food, games, and a raffle. Pre-registration is required and open to ages 13 and up. <a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens">https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens</a>



#### Summer, Stories and Crafts oh My!

In collaboration with the DuPont Library, Parks & Recreation invites families to attend Summer, Stories and Crafts beginning Wednesday, June 28th at Ross Plaza. This is a free program and kids must be accompanied by an adult. Topics include farm animals, ocean critters, frogs, sports, and lots of other kid friendly topics!

July 5 - Farm July 12 - Building

July 19 - Bears

July 26 - Frogs

https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids





# Fairy Trails do come true!

Frolic down Sequalitchew Creek Trail on July 29<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. in your most whimsical summer outfit while joined by magical creature creatures from faraway lands. As you venture down the trail, be on the lookout for enchanted characters and houses they live in. After the walk, return to City Hall Council Chambers for snacks and crafts for the kids. Tickets are \$10 per child. <a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids">https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids</a>

#### **MUNICIPAL POSITION OPENING!**

The City of DuPont is looking for a citizen to fill a vacant position on the Planning Commission. The purpose of the Planning Commission is to advise the City Council on General Land Use, Growth

Management, Long-Range Capital Improvement Plans, and Transportation Planning. For citizens interested in applying, detailed information the Planning Commission's responsibilities and meeting times can be found on the City's website at <a href="https://">https://</a>

www.dupontwa.gov/83/Commissions.

The current application can be found at: <a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/512/Vacancies">https://www.dupontwa.gov/512/Vacancies</a>.



City News

#### **DUPONT SALES TAX INCREASE**

Sales tax rate has increased from 9.4% to 9.5% starting July 1.

Please see below for tax rate lookup table:

https://webgis.dor.wa.gov/taxratelookup/ SalesTax.aspx

What brings this change? Pierce County Sales and use tax within Pierce County, except for Tacoma, will increase one-tenth of one percent (.001). The tax will be used for housing and related services.



### I-5, Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. - Corridor Improvements

# DuPont residents, please see the information below as it could affect travel times this summer!

The WSDOT contractor has started the geotechnical investigation for the I-5, Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. - Corridor Improvements Project.

WSDOT Project overview (from website): to relieve chronic traffic congestion and improve mobility along I-5 in the vicinity of Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WSDOT will rebuild the interchange of Steilacoom-DuPont Road (Exit 119) and adding HOV lanes to I-5. This will support congestion relief on I-5 during peak traffic periods while maintaining access to neighboring communities and JBLM. The new interchange includes grade separation of the roadway over the railroad. Construction is expected to begin in late summer 2023. Travelers will see shifted lanes, overnight lane and ramp closures, reduced speed limit in work zones, and potentially short and long-term ramp closures.

This project could affect your commute at times and bike routes, so please check WSDOT's website at the link below for the latest project updates. WSDOT contact information for this project can be found at the same link below and then clicking on the contact tab towards the bottom of the webpage.

For more information please visit: <u>I-5 - Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. - Corridor Improvements | WSDOT (wa.gov)</u>.

# Community News

# The JBLM Airshow & Warrior Expo is July 15-16 at McChord Field

The airshow is free and open to the public, and features the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds. Airshow theme: "Warriors Wanted: Explore Your Destiny."

Key information about the Airshow:

Parking Plan, visit: <a href="https://www.jblewis-mcchordairshow.com/parking/">https://www.jblewis-mcchordairshow.com/parking/</a>

Entry Restrictions, visit: <a href="https://www.jblewis-mcchordairshow.com/entry-restrictions/">https://www.jblewis-mcchordairshow.com/entry-restrictions/</a>

General Information, visit: <a href="https://www.jblmairshow.com">www.jblmairshow.com</a>

Up-to-date info during the Airshow, visit

JBLM Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/JBLewisMcChord/

JBLM Twitter: https://twitter.com/JBLM PAO





# **DuPont Police Department Weekly Activity Report**

Duty \* Professionalism \* Dedication



# Total Calls for Service 06/19/23- 06/25/23: 238 Average per day: 34

The "Total Calls for Service" statistic above includes, but is not limited to, the following incidents:

#### **EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS**

- 08 Animal Complaint
- 01 Community Oriented Policing
- 04 Agency Assists
- 01 Disorderly-Verbal Altercation
- 01 Juvenile Issue
- 03 Unwanted Person
- 02 Suspicious Vehicle
- 03 Suspicious Person
- 64 Traffic Stops
- 04 Traffic Complaints
- 02 Welfare Checks
- 01 Found Narcotics

#### PROPERTY & OTHER CRIMES

01 Vandalism

#### **CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS**

01 Theft



#### **DEPARTMENT NEWS**

School's officially out for the summer, and that - along with the nice weather we've been having - means we'll be seeing a lot more pedestrians, bicyclists, skateboarders, motorcyclists, etc. around our beautiful city!

Drivers should be extra vigilant, especially for children at play, approaching crosswalks, changing lanes and making left turns. Also for bicyclists, roller skates & blades and skateboards, while there is no state law requiring helmets, DuPont Municipal Codes (Chapters 9 & 16) require helmets while operating within the City.

Adventure awaits those who seek it...

Stay safe, and have fun!

# REPORTING AN INCIDENT? NEED AN OFFICER?

- To report an emergency, dial 9-1-1
- To report a non-emergency, dial (253) 287-4455
- If you aren't sure, let us help you by dialing (253) 964-7060 If you have non-urgent questions, suggestions, want to file a complaint or commend a D.P.D. staff member, we appreciate the opportunity to assist you. You may reach us via email at <a href="mailto:Police@dupontwa.gov">Police@dupontwa.gov</a> or by telephone at (253) 964-7060.





#### **DUPONT FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**Response Information:** The table below shows general responses. Details, if needed, are listed to better explain the response. The yellow highlighted areas in the "Current" column are statistics from the past week and the "Year" statistics include all responses since January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year.



(Category) Description Details	Current	Year
(10) Fire, other	1	2
(11) Structure Fire		3
(13) Mobile property (vehicle) fire		3
(14) Natural vegetation fire		4
(15) Outside rubbish fire		0
(25) Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition		1
(30) Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other		0
(31) Medical assist		5
(32.1) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident	8	317
(32.2) Motor vehicle accident with injuries		11
(33) Lock-In		0
(35) Extrication, rescue		0
(36) Water or ice-related rescue		0
(40) Flammable gas or liquid condition, other		0
(41) Combustible/flammable spills & leaks		5
(42) Chemical Release, reaction or toxic condition		2
(44) Electrical wiring/equipment problem		1
(50) Service call, other	1	18
(51) Person in distress	1	5
(52) Water problem		4
(53) Smoke, odor problem	1	2
(54) Animal problem or rescue		0
(55) Public service assistance	1	16
(56) Unauthorized burning		1
(60) Good intent call, other	1	5
(61) Dispatched and canceled en route	1	27
(62) Wrong location, no emergency found		1
(65) Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke		7
(70) False alarm and false call, other		5
(71) Malicious, mischievous false alarm		0
(73) System or detector malfunction		19
(74) Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)		6
(91) Citizen complaint		1
Unknown		0
TOTALS	15	471

Current	Year
1	1
1	62
	38
1	63
2	19
	6
1	9
6	198
	1

ALS	6	196
BLS	2	117

Calls by time of day (8-hr blocks):		
0000-0759	1	94
0800-1649	8	223
1700-2359	6	145
TOTAL	15	462

Calls by day of the week:		
Sunday	4	59
Monday	1	59
Tuesday	1	61
Wednesday	1	89
Thursday	1	77
Friday	4	64
Saturday	3	58
TOTAL	15	467

Mutual Aid / Multiple Calls:		
DPF Received	1	31
DPF Provided	1	22
Multiple Calls	2	47

# Safety Message - Fireworks FAQ's



#### Q: When can I light off fireworks in DuPont?

A: The DuPont Municipal Code (DMC) 9.12.020 (a) states that fireworks are permitted within the city limits ONLY on the 4th of July between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 11:59 p.m.

### Q: Can I light off fireworks in the street in front of my house?

A: Fireworks are NOT permitted on public property, such as (but not limited to) city streets, sidewalks, alleyways, and public parks. DMC 9.12.020 (b).

#### Q: What kind of fireworks can I use?

A: A list of both approved and illegal fireworks is provided by the State Fire Marshal's Office (SFMO) of the Washington State Patrol (WSP) at the following link: <a href="https://www.wsp.wa.gov/fireworks/">www.wsp.wa.gov/fireworks/</a>.

#### Q: Who do I report fireworks complaints to?

A: All fireworks complaints should be made to the dispatch office of South Sound 911 (SS911). They can be reached via the non-emergency line at 253-287-4455 or 800-562-9800.

#### FOR ALL IN-PROGRESS EMERGENCIES DIAL 9-1-1

#### Legal Fireworks:

Cylindrical Fountain, Helicopters, Aerial Spinners, Cone Fountain, Smoke Devices, Roman Candles, Parachutes, Wheels, Mine/Shells/Cakes, Ground Spinners, Reloadable Mortars, Dipped Stick, Sparkler, Novelties

#### Illegal/Banned Fireworks:

Firecrackers, Skyrockets and Missiles, Bottle Rockets, M-80's, M-100's, Improvised Explosive Device (IED), Altered Fireworks

\*\*\*PER Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 70.77.136\*\*\*

#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING UPDATES

#### 6/27/2023 Regular City Council Meeting Overview:

- Resolution No. 23-006 approving the 2024-2029 6-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- Public Hearing: Development agreement between the City and Northpoint LLC.
- Resolution No. 23-007 Approving an addendum to an interlocal agreement between the City of Lakewood and the City of DuPont for Municipal Court Services.
- Resolution No. 23-008 Approval of an interlocal agreement to join a multi-jurisdictional law enforcement special weapons and tactics (SWAT) team.

#### **Helpful Meeting Links:**

- ♦ City of DuPont Meetings can be watched live or later at: City's YouTube channel: (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-nrLK1wNfpq3 CeNJw40A).
- Regular Council Meetings can be watched live or later at the City's YouTube channel and/or at: Pierce County TV (https://www.piercecountytv.org/1306/DuPont-Live-Meetings).
- Agendas, once published, are officially posted on the bulletin board at City Hall and available at the following link: <a href="https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/777/">https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/777/</a>.
- Minutes, after they are passed, are available at: <a href="https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/7/">https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/7/</a>.

Regular City Council meetings begin at 6:00 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month.

Published agendas can be found on the website's homepage; click on the meeting date on the City of DuPont Calendar and then "**Download Agenda**".





#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Date	Time	Meeting
7/3/2023	6:00 PM	Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting-Canceled
7/4/2023	All Day	City Hall CLOSED
7/10/2023	6:00 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
7/11/2023	11:00 AM	Civil Service Commission Meeting
7/11/2023	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting
7/18/2023	5:00 - 9:00 PM	Special City Council Meeting - (Strategic Planning Session)
7/20/2023	6:00 PM	Tree Advisory Commission Meeting
7/25/2023	1:00 - 7:00 PM	Special City Council Meeting - (Strategic Planning Session)

#### **ACTIVITIES—SAVE THE DATE**

Date	Activity	Location/Information
7/13, 7/20, 7/27, 8/3, 8/10, 8/17	Farmers Market	https://www.dupontwa.gov/566/Farmers-Market
7/27, 8/3	Concerts in the Park	https://www.dupontwa.gov/534/Concerts-in-the- Park
7/5, 7/12, 7/19	Summer Stories & Crafts	https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids
7/4/2023	July 4th Celebration	https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events
7/13/2023	Reptile Lady at the Farmers Market	https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids
7/14/2023	Teen Night Out - Trash Can Nachos	https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens
7/17-7/12/2023	Challenger Soccer Camps	https://www.dupontwa.gov/548/Camps
7/29/2023	Fairy Trails	https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/11586/Kids
7/29-7/30/2023	Sequalishoot 2023	https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/11586/Kids